

— whereby a user can place $1\frac{5}{8}$ " framing members on either 16" or 24" centers.

8. [Canceled] The repeating units of claim 1 having a set of partitions, each of which is adapted to receive a $3\frac{5}{8}$ " framing member, the set comprising:

- a. a first partition;
- b. a second partition, having a center which is 16" from the center of the first partition;
- c. a third partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the second partition;
- d. a fourth partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the third partition;
- e. a sufficient length of base so that the center of the fourth partition is 16" from a center of the first partition of the next repeating unit;

— whereby a user can place $3\frac{5}{8}$ " framing members on either 16" or 24" centers.

9. [Canceled] The repeating units of claim 1 having a set of partitions, each of which is adapted to receive a $\frac{1}{2}$ " framing member, the set comprising:

- a. a first partition;
- b. a second partition, having a center which is 16" from the center of the first partition;
- c. a third partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the second partition;
- d. a fourth partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the third partition;
- e. a sufficient length of base so that the center of the fourth partition is 16" from a center of the first partition of the next repeating unit;

— whereby a user can place $\frac{1}{2}$ " framing members on either 16" or 24" centers.

10. [Canceled] The construction layout stripping of claim 1 having more than one set of partitions adapted to receive more than one size of construction member and to allow for more than one spacing interval for each size of member.

11. [Canceled] The construction layout stripping of claim 10 where partitions associated with each size of member and each spacing interval have a consistent identifier means for noting which interval and member they relate to which is different from the identifier means for other construction members and for different spacing intervals:

12. [Amended] The A construction layout strip having the following repeating units on the same construction layout stripping where adjoining partitions share a common upright, the strip comprising:

- a. a pliable, non-elastic base,
- a b. a first repeating set of partitions, each of which each defined by a pair of uprights on the base, each partition adapted to grippingly receive a $1\frac{5}{8}$ " framing member, the set including:
 - i. a first partition with a center,

- ii. a second partition, having a center which is $\pm 6 \frac{3}{8}$ " from the center of the first partition;
- iii. a third partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the second partition;
- iv. a fourth partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the third partition;
- v. iii. a sufficient length of base so that the center of the fourth second partition is $\pm 6 \frac{3}{8}$ " from a center of the first partition of the a next repeating unit first repeating set of partitions;
- b. c. a second set of repeating partitions adjacent to the $1\frac{5}{8}$ " first set of repeating partitions, each of which is adapted to grappingly receive a $3\frac{5}{8}$ " framing member, the set including:
 - i. a first partition with a center, the partition including an upright shared with the first partition from the first set,
 - ii. a second partition, having a center which is 16" from the center of the first partition, the second partition including a shared upright with the second partition from the first set,
 - iii. a third partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the second partition;
 - iv. a fourth partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the third partition;
 - v. iii. a sufficient length of base so that the center of the fourth partition is $\pm 6 \frac{3}{8}$ " from a center of the first partition of the a next repeating unit second set of repeating partitions;
- c. a set of partitions adjacent to the $1\frac{5}{8}$ " partitions, each of which is adapted to receive a $\frac{1}{2}$ " framing member, the set including:
 - i. a first partition;
 - ii. a second partition, having a center which is 16" from the center of the first partition;
 - iii. a third partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the second partition;
 - iv. a fourth partition, having a center which is 8" from the center of the third partition;
 - v. a sufficient length of base so that the center of the fourth partition is 16" from a center of the first partition of the next repeating unit, whereby a user can place $1\frac{5}{8}$ ", $3\frac{5}{8}$ ", or $\frac{1}{2}$ " framing members on 16" or 24" centers using the same construction layout stripping;

whereby a user can place $1\frac{5}{8}$ ", or $3\frac{5}{8}$ ", or $\frac{1}{2}$ " framing members on 16" or 24" centers using the same construction layout stripping.

13. [Canceled] A method of assembling construction members comprising the steps of: